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Hi Tony,

I'm glad we got a chance to talk this week. Attached below is a version of the TIP/TAS development plan that includes our suggested revisions. Once you've had a chance to look at this, we should schedule a conference call to discuss this in more detail. If you're going to be in Seattle for the Woodstove Conference the first week of August, we could try to schedule some time to meet while you're here.

As I mentioned on the phone, our main comment on the development plan is to separate the TAS process from the TIP process, since they have different EPA reviewers, different timelines, and different outside comment processes. Because I will be in Washington DC from August through November, we suggest that the Swinomish air program focus first on working with Diana Boquist and Rich McAllister to develop the TAS application. Once I return to the Region in early December, we can then focus on developing the TIP itself. We want to assure you that the development of your open burning TIP will continue to be a priority for us, and I will do everything I can to make sure this effort is successful.

A couple things to note -

In addition to the open burning regulations, there are other demonstrations needed for TIP approval, including enforcement authority (authority and procedures to do inspections, authority to enforce the laws and regulations in the TIP, authority to collect information needed to determine compliance), legal authority to carry out the TIP, public notice and hearings, and adequate resources. I will send you more details/explanation on this soon. Some of this is described in the EPA guidance document "Developing a Tribal Implementation Plan." Let me know if you need a copy of this document.

Because this is the first TIP being developed in Region 10, we will be coordinating with staff in Headquarters and other Regions during the development of the TIP and our approval of the TIP. This is one of the reasons I added additional time for EPA's review and comment.

Thanks and we are looking forward to working with you on this! Debra



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Subject Tip/TAS development plan

Attached is a Draft Tip Development Plan to get things started I know its brief but it will get us started Thanks,
Tony

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